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2nd and 3rd Graders Win Cash for College

7 students out of 700 win \$250 scholarships; 1 wins \$1000 scholarship

Madison - On Monday, January 25th, 2010 at 10:00am in the Assembly Parlor at the State Capitol, Treasurer Dawn Marie Sass will be joined by 8 Wisconsin elementary school students who will receive EdVest College Scholarships.

For the 2009 Higher Education Day Coloring Contest, 700 students from around the state drew pictures of what they wanted to be when they grew up and after they went to college.

The winners are:

- Connor Lawrence Walworth County, 2nd Grade, Doubek Elementary
- Rito Evans Dane County, 2nd Grade, Cottage Grove School
- Austin Wein Grant County, 3rd Grade, Westview Elementary
- Bridget Melan Ozaukee County, 2nd Grade, Eastbrook Academy
- Hannah Dotzler Jefferson County, 3rd Grade, Johnson Creek Elementary
- Frances Meyer Manitowoc County, 2nd Grade, Jackson Elementary
- Francine Seidel Taylor County, 2nd Grade, Holy Rosary Catholic School
- Haley Piontek Marinette County, 2nd Grade, Wausaukee Elementary

"It's wonderful to see children who have really just started their schooling already looking at how they are going to pay for college," said Treasurer Sass. "Starting an EdVest account at this age will definitely help them and their parents."

Treasurer Sass created the Higher Education Day Coloring Contest in 2008 to get young children interested in their college education. The Treasurer's Office created Higher Education Day four years ago to focus attention on the importance of higher education, and to highlight the excellent resources already available in our state for students, parents and teachers

For more information on the EdVest College Scholarship program, visit www.statetreasury.wisconsin.gov.

Higher Education Day Coloring Contest Winners:

Jan. 25th, 2010 State Capitol 10:00a.m. Assembly Parlor

NOTE TO EDITORS: THE \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER IS AUSTIN WEIN. HE WILL FIND OUT HE'S THE GRAND PRIZE WINNER AT THE EVENT.